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UNCLE SAM'S FOREST RANGERS (#345)

OK

CHICAGO OUTLET

WMAQ BLUE

(10:00-11:00 A.M.)

TIME

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DATE

(FRIDAY)

DAY

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REMARKS

1. ... was called Morton. He was a real pioneer --
 2. not only because he settled a farm in Nebraska with
 3. some other pioneer farmers, but because he had the
 4. vision to see what the prairie land could be made like --
 5. He realized that the prairie farms had to have protection
 6. from those hot winds. But he wasn't satisfied with
 7. urging other farmers to plant trees, he planted all
 8. his 600 acres of his own farm to show them how it could
 9. be done -- Well, there was one of his neighbors by the
 10. name of Davis who was a level-headed, intelligent
 11. farmer. He thought Morton was crazy for wasting his
 12. time planting trees. He held out for three or four
 13. years when crops weren't doing very well because the
 14. hot winds dried them up before they had a chance. Then
 15. one day Morton got a shipment of pine seedlings, that he
 16. thought would make good windbreaks. He finally persuaded
 17. Davis to take some of the pines, and volunteered to help
 18. him with the planting ---

19. (PAUSE FOR FLASHBACK)

20. FADE IN THUNDERING OF TAMPING SOFT EARTH

21. MORTON (VIGOROUS, FORCEFUL) There! I guess they're packed
 22. well enough. Those seedlings look good and healthy
 23. don't they, Davis?

24. DAVIS Yes, they do, Julius

HORTON: I've found it hard to get the things, when they're so small, to put in a row on the windward side of them just to keep them from blowing out of the ground.

DAVIS: I see — Yes —

HORTON: That's the matter.

DAVIS: (LAUGHING EXCITEDLY) Well — I sorts can't get over the land it's a lot of work for nothing.

HORTON: It won't be for nothing if you'll take good care of the trees. You have to look after them like you do your corn and oats. And I believe they'll be just as good a crop for you some day.

DAVIS: I hope they will. Is anything good doesn't break soon in this soil?

HORTON: Davis, if you'll take care of these pine seedlings, if you'll nurse them along until they get started, and set them out also, your fields in four or five rows, with some other trees and shrubs, I believe they'll pay you cash for every hour you put in taking care of them.

DAVIS: ———Well———maybe you're right. But I've got a wife to take care of and a boy going to school now — If this land can't make a living for me, I've got to move on to some place where I can get a living out of a tree —

MUSIC UP AND OUT

1. KEFFER: At last part of the moon. But what I need most of all
2. is some local man with good practical experience, and
3. knowledge of local growing conditions.
4. MORTON: I see what you want.
5. KEFFER: It had to be this to raise seedlings here in Nebraska
6. to distribute to the other experiment stations for
7. their best plantings. This location is the most
8. neutral, and is near the common denominator of
9. conditions as we can find anywhere.
10. MORTON: Are you planning to make any demonstration plantings?
11. I want something to show the farmers around here the
12. best methods.
13. KEFFER: Yes, that will be one of our major projects. There's
14. no use spending the money and time on experiment if we
15. if we can't put it to practical use --- But we want, of
16. a good man who knows local conditions -- and who
17. believes in trees.
18. MORTON: Tell me -- I think I know of a man who's just exactly
19. the kind of experience you want. (FADING) His farm
20. isn't far from here. I'll see him some time today and
21. let you know if he's interested.
22. MUSIC UP AND OUT
23. DAVIS: (FADING IN) Say a seat, Julius. I heard you were
24. going to be here soon. I figured on coming over to
25. your place to see you.

